



SAINT NEKTARIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

SUNDAY MISSAL FOR APRIL 12, 2026

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM



1st Mode.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον
πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζῶνῃ
χαρισάμενος.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling
down upon death, and to those in the tombs He
has granted life.

Hypakoe. 4th Mode.

When the women with Mary had come before
dawn, and they found that the stone had been
rolled away from the sepulcher, they heard from
the Angel, "Why do you seek among the dead, as
a mortal man, the One who exists in everlasting
light? See the grave clothes in the sepulcher. Run
and proclaim to the world that the Lord has
risen and put death to death; for He is the Son of
God who saves the human race."

Kontakion of Pascha. 4th Mode.

Though You went down into the tomb, O
Immortal One, yet You brought down the
dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor,
O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice"
to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to
Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant
resurrection.

APOSTOLIC READING · Acts 1:1-8

In the first book, O Theophilos, I have dealt with
all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day
when he was taken up, after he had given
commandment through the Holy Spirit to the
apostles whom he had chosen. To them he
presented himself alive after his passion by
many proofs, appearing to them during forty

days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And
while staying with them he charged them not to
depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the
promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard
from me, for John baptized with water, but
before many days you shall be baptized with the
Holy Spirit." So when they had come together,
they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time
restore the kingdom of Israel?" He said to them,
"It is not for you to know times or seasons which
the Father has fixed by his own authority. But
you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit
has come upon you; and you shall be my
witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and
Samaria and to the end of the earth."

GOSPEL READING · Jn. 1:1-17

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word
was with God, and the Word was God. He was
in the beginning with God; all things were made
through him, and without him was not anything
made that was made. In him was life, and the life
was the light of men. The light shines in the
darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
There was a man sent from God, whose name
was John. He came for testimony, to bear
witness to the light, that all might believe
through him. He was not the light, but came to
bear witness to the light. The true light that
enlightens every man was coming into the
world. He was in the world, and the world was
made through him, yet the world knew him not.
He came to his own home, and his own people
received him not. But to all who received him,
who believed in his name, he gave power to

become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to him, and cried, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, for he was before me.' ") And from his fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not created, of one essence with the Father, through Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And He rose on the third day, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom shall have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of life, Who proceeds from the Father, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke through the prophets. In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come.

COMMUNION PRAYERS

(Read aloud by the Congregation)

I believe and confess, Lord, that You are truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, Who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. I also believe that this is truly Your pure Body and that this is truly Your precious Blood. Therefore, I pray to You, have mercy upon me, and forgive my transgressions, voluntary and involuntary, in word and deed, known and unknown and make me worthy, without condemnation, to partake of Your pure Mysteries for the forgiveness of sins and for life eternal. Amen. How shall I, who am unworthy, enter into the splendor of Your saints? If I dare to enter into the bridal chamber, my clothing will accuse me, since it is not a wedding garment; and being bound up, I shall be cast out by the angels. In Your love, Lord, cleanse my soul and save me. Loving Master, Lord Jesus Christ, my God, let not these Holy Gifts be to my condemnation because of my unworthiness, but for the cleansing and sanctification of soul and body and the pledge of future life and Kingdom. It is good for me to cling to God and to place in Him the hope of my salvation. Receive me today, Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper. I will not reveal your mystery to Your adversaries. Nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas. But as the thief, I confess to You: Lord, Remember me in Your Kingdom.